

AMENDMENT

U.S. Appln. No. 09 732,123

Another suitable method for making films with a surface layer with an open-celled pore structure is described in U.S. Application Serial No. 09 079,807, filed May 15, 1998, now abandoned. According to this method a cavitating agent is used with a particular polymeric matrix material, which is high density polyethylene (HDPE) or medium density polyethylene (MDPE). According to Serial No. 09/079,807, when this material is stretched, separations which form voids are formed not only horizontally, i.e. within or parallel to the plane of the film, but also in the vertical dimension or perpendicular to the plane of the film.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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4. A film layer according to claim 1, wherein the film layer comprises a polymeric matrix material and the polymer of the matrix material is a polyolefin selected from the group consisting of polypropylene, polyethylene, polybutylene and copolymers and blends thereof.

5. A film layer according to claim 1, wherein the film layer comprises a polymeric matrix material and the polymer of the matrix material is an isotactic polypropylene, containing at least about 80% by weight of isotactic polypropylene.